

the crown block. The device shall be checked for proper operation weekly and after each drill-line slipping operation. The results of the operational check shall be entered in the operations log.

§ 250.82 Field well-completion rules.

When geological and engineering information available in a field enables the District Supervisor to determine specific operating requirements, field well-completion rules may be established on the District Supervisor's initiative or in response to a request from a lessee. Such rules may modify the specific requirements of this subpart. After field well-completion rules have been established, well-completion operations in the field shall be conducted in accordance with such rules and other requirements of this subpart. Field well-completion rules may be amended or canceled for cause at any time upon the initiative of the District Supervisor or upon the request of a lessee.

§ 250.83 Approval and reporting of well-completion operations.

(a) No well-completion operation shall begin until the lessee receives written approval from the District Supervisor. If completion is planned and the data are available at the time the Application for Permit to Drill, Form MMS-123 (see § 250.64 of this part), is submitted, approval for a well completion may be requested on that form. If the completion has not been approved or if the completion objective or plans have significantly changed, approval for such operations shall be requested on Form MMS-124, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells.

(b) The following information shall be submitted with Form MMS-124 (or with Form MMS-123):

(1) A brief description of the well-completion procedures to be followed, a statement of the expected surface pressure, and type and weight of completion fluids;

(2) A schematic drawing of the well showing the proposed producing zone(s) and the subsurface well-completion equipment to be used;

(3) For multiple completions, a partial electric log showing the zones pro-

posed for completion, if logs have not been previously submitted; and

(4) When the well-completion is in a zone known to contain H₂S or a zone where the presence of H₂S is unknown, information pursuant to § 250.67 of this part.

(c) Within 30 days after completion, Form MMS-125, Well Summary Report, including a schematic of the tubing and subsurface equipment, shall be submitted to the District Supervisor.

(d) Public information copies of Form MMS-125 shall be submitted in accordance with § 250.17.

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§ 250.84 Well-control fluids, equipment, and operations.

(a) Well-control fluids, equipment, and operations shall be designed, utilized, maintained, and/or tested as necessary to control the well in foreseeable conditions and circumstances, including subfreezing conditions. The well shall be continuously monitored during well-completion operations and shall not be left unattended at any time unless the well is shut in and secured.

(b) The following well-control-fluid equipment shall be installed, maintained, and utilized:

(1) A fill-up line above the uppermost BOP;

(2) A well-control, fluid-volume measuring device for determining fluid volumes when filling the hole on trips; and

(3) A recording mud-pit-level indicator to determine mud-pit-volume gains and losses. This indicator shall include both a visual and an audible warning device.

(c) When coming out of the hole with drill pipe, the annulus shall be filled with well-control fluid before the change in such fluid level decreases the hydrostatic pressure 75 pounds per square inch (psi) or every five stands of drill pipe, whichever gives a lower decrease in hydrostatic pressure. The number of stands of drill pipe and drill collars that may be pulled prior to filling the hole and the equivalent well-control fluid volume shall be calculated and posted near the operator's station. A mechanical, volumetric, or